SUBJECT No. 5.

Transfer of State loan bonds to the heirs of deceased holders without succession certificates.

Mr. Dodda Rame Gowda, Kolar Taluk.

Mr. Dodda Rame Gowda represented that the heirs of the deceased holders of State loan bonds were required to produce successions certificates for claiming interest and that poor raiyats were unable to go to the civil courts. The transfer of *khates* was generally ordered by the revenue officers themselves, and similar orders might also be issued in this connection as well.

Mr. H. Krishna Sastry suggested that the Amildars might be empowered to decide cases up to a limit of Rs. 5,000.

The Dewan observed that the suggestion will be noted for consideration.

SUBJECT No. 6.

Grant of loans on State life insurance policies in the public Branch.

Mr. T. Nanjappa, Mysore Chamber of Commerce, Bangalore.

Mr. T. Nanjappa suggested that loans might be granted on State life insurance policies in the public branch as in private companies so as to induce more persons to insure their lives.

The Financial Secretary pointed out that there was provision for such grant of loans in the existing rules, but the issue of loans had not been started as the loan grantable would be very small as the premia so far paid were very small and did not admit of large loans being granted.

SUBJECT No. 7.

Annual allotment of funds for the improvement of district headquarter towns other than the cities of Mysore and Bangalore.

Mr. Veerabhadrappa, Chitaldrug Taluk.

Mr. Veerabhadrappa represented that large sums were being allotted annually for the improvement of the cities of Bangalore and Mysore, but the allotment for the other district headquarter towns was very meagre and consequently, they were in a very backward condition. He requested that suitable allotments might be made for the other district headquarter towns annually.

The Dewan replied that a sum of Rs. 25,000 had been allotted this year for district headquarter towns, and a larger grant might be made in subsequent years, if funds permit.

SUBJECT No. 8.

Time limit for refunds and repayment of excess recoveries.

Mr. Singri Nanjappa, Tiptur Municipality.

Mr. Singri Nanjappa represented that amounts ordered to be refunded and excess payments made by parties might be disbursed to the persons concerned before the close of the next official year at the latest. Or, the excess collected might be ordered to be utilised for adjusting the next year's *kandayam*.

The Revenue Commissioner explained that the question was discussed during the last Birthday Session and was still under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 9.

Increased rate of interest on charitable endowments.

Messrs. K. T. Seshaiya, Belur Taluk, and A. Srikantappa, Bangalore District Board.

Mr K. T. Seshaiya represented that the rate of interest on charitable endowments was 5 per cent till 1st July. If the rate of interest of 5 per cent was reduced thereafter, many people who wished to endow for charitable purposes would be discouraged and might not come forward. He requested that the present rate of 5 per cent might therefore be made permanent or continued, at least, for some time longer.

The Financial Secretary pointed out that the concession of granting 5 per cent interest was extended for another three years.